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PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant(s): **Zhang** Case: **SAR 14211**
Serial No.: **09/804,877** Filed: **March 13, 2001**
Group Art Unit: **2133** Examiner: **Not yet assigned**
Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
ADAPTIVELY CODING A DATA SIGNAL**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

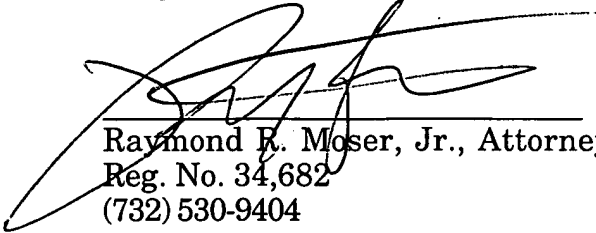
On page 1, please delete the first paragraph of the application which states:

"This application claims benefit of U.S. provisional patent application 60/206,133, filed May 22, 2000, and hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety."

REMARKS

The application, as originally filed, claimed priority to Provisional Application No. 60/206,133, filed May 22, 2000. This priority claim was made in error. As such, the priority claim is being removed as stated above and shown in Appendix I.

Respectfully submitted,


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